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# Friday Facts

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## HIGHLIGHTS

### NAME CHANGE FOR ST. CHARLES COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH

Effective January 1, the St. Charles County Department of Community Health and the Environment will officially change their name to St. Charles County Department of Public Health.

### NATIONAL SURVEY ON DRUG USE AND HEALTH

Please find attached a [memo](#) and [information](#) related to the National Survey on Drug Use and Health (NSDUH) that will be conducted in Missouri during 2016. If you have any questions, please contact Joel Kennet, Ph.D., NSDUH National Study Director, Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMSHA), Center for Behavioral Health Statistics and Quality at 240-276-1265.

### KAY KNIPP – AUDRAIN COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT RETIREMENT

Kay Knipp, WIC Support Staff Lead, Audrain County Health Department, will retire on January 31 after 37 years of exceptional public health service. Kay's celebration lunch will be held on January 27 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Audrain County Health Department. For more information, contact 573-581-1332.

### BEYOND THE SCOPE NEWSLETTER IS NOW AVAILABLE

The Missouri State Public Health Laboratory (SPHL) would like to share with you the fall edition of *Beyond the Scope*. The newsletter can be accessed by clicking the link to the [SPHL website](#) and selecting *Beyond the Scope* under *Hot Topics*. Past newsletter editions can be found under the Related Links/Newsletters link on the SPHL home page.

### STATEWIDE PUBLIC HEALTH CONFERENCE – March 2-3, 2016

**SAVE-THE-DATE!** The Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS), Center for Local Public Health Services announces a two-day conference on March 2-3, 2016 in Columbia at the Holiday Inn Executive Center. The target audience is local public health agency administrators and staff, as well as DHSS staff. This conference will provide a statewide opportunity for sharing of information between local and state public health staff, as well as training and education. Please mark your calendars for March 2 and 3, and watch the Friday Facts for upcoming brochure and registration information.

## LPHA Job Opportunities

### Links to Valuable Resources

- [Calendar of Events](#)
- [Directory of LPHAs](#)
- [Area Agencies on Aging & Services](#)
- [Missouri Association of Local Public Health Agencies](#)
- [Missouri Institute for Community Health](#)
- [Missouri Public Health Association](#)
- [CDC's Weekly Scientific Digest](#)
- [CDC Environmental Health Training Resources](#)
- [FDA Environmental Health Training](#)
- [Missouri Health Information Technology \(MO HIT\) Assistance Center](#)
- [Ozark Public Health Institute](#)
- [Heartland Centers](#)
- [Midwest Public Health Training Center](#)

### PROVIDER OF SERVICES FOR REINSTATEMENT

The Division of Community and Public Health has been notified by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) that effective December 1, 2015, Jeffrey Alan Wool, M.D., has been restored eligibility as a provider of services covered under the Title XVIII (Medicare) program.

The Division of Community and Public Health has been notified by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) that effective December 3, 2015, Howard Ray Goldstein, M.D., has been restored eligibility as a provider of services covered under the Title XVIII (Medicare) program.

### SMOKING CESSATION RESEARCH STUDY

Washington University School of Medicine is conducting the first-ever study of how genetic markers predict smoking behaviors and determine the best approach to helping a person quit smoking. Researchers are recruiting 720 smokers from the St. Louis area to participate. All study participants will receive counseling to help them quit smoking, and by random assignment to groups, some may receive free nicotine-replacement patches, lozenges, or Chantix. To be eligible, participants must be at least age 21 and smoke five or more cigarettes a day (not e-cigarettes or other vaping products). The one-year study will involve telephone interviews, counseling sessions, and follow-up telephone calls. All genetic testing, counseling, and medications will be free. Participants will also be eligible for up to \$155 in compensation. For more information or if you know someone who would like to volunteer for the study, call Nina Smock at 314-747-7849 or by e-mail at [behaviorandgenetics@psychiatry.wustl.edu](mailto:behaviorandgenetics@psychiatry.wustl.edu).

### WIC UPDATES

The WIC Updates have been posted to the WIC web page. You can view the updates at <http://health.mo.gov/living/families/wic/wicupdates/index.php>. This week's updates include:

#### *December 21 Updates*

- Save-The-Date—Nutrition Coordinator and WIC Coordinator Training
- From the WOM— Income Reassessment ER#3.02000
- 2016 National Nutrition Month Activities
- Extra National WIC Association (NWA) 2016 Calendars
- Learning Dynamics WIC Tips for December 2015
- Continuing Education Unit (CEU) Corner
- **JOB OPENING:** Full-time WIC Nutritionist - St. Charles County Department of Public Health
- **JOB OPENING:** Part-time Breastfeeding Peer Counselor - St. Charles County Health Department
- **JOB OPENING:** Nutritionist—Crescent Clinic WIC (Jackson County, MO)

#### *December 28 Updates*

- Computer Use During Participant Encounters
- CEU Corner
- **JOB OPENING:** Full-Time WIC Nutritionist - St. Charles County Department of Public Health

## **2016 MISSOURI COUNTY-LEVEL STUDY TO BEGIN**

Approximately 52,000 Missouri adults will be randomly called to participate in the 2016 Missouri County-level Study beginning in early January. The study will produce county prevalence estimates for a number of health issues. An overview of the study design and data that will be collected is available at <http://www.health.mo.gov/data/cls/index.php>. The study is funded by the Missouri Foundation for Health and conducted in collaboration with the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) and the University of Missouri-Columbia Health and Behavioral Risk Research Center. Trained interviewers from the University will call landline and cell telephone numbers throughout the year. If local public health agencies receive inquiries from residents concerned about a request to participate in a Department of Health and Senior Services survey, please inform them it is legitimate and encourage participation. Concerned individuals may also be directed to Janet Wilson at DHSS, 573/526-6660.

## **MISSOURI MILK, FOOD, AND THE ENVIRONMENTAL HEALTH ASSOCIATION (MMFEHA) IS ACCEPTING NOMINATIONS FOR THE 2016 ANNUAL EDUCATION CONFERENCE AWARDS**

The Missouri Milk, Food, and Environmental Health Association (MMFEHA) is seeking nominations for the 2016 Annual Education Conference Awards. A list of the available awards can be found here: <http://www.mmfeha.org/index.php/awards>. Colleagues can be nominated for one of our awards by contacting Wayne McGrath, MMFEHA Vice President and Awards Chair, by e-mailing him at: [wayne240@gmail.com](mailto:wayne240@gmail.com). Please submit all nominations no later than January 31.

## **PUBLIC HEALTH ACCREDITATION BOARD (PHAB) VIDEO SERIES ON THE 12 DOMAINS TO PHABULOUS**

The link below was shared by the Training Resource Center in Iowa. This Gaining Ground Video Series was developed by the Iowa Public Health Gaining Ground Coalition to provide tips and linkages between the 12 accreditation domains to use as a resource for those pursuing PHAB Accreditation. Some of the domain videos are still in progress, so visit the site often to see additional information. <http://www.training-source.org/training/toolkits/12%20Domains%20to%20PHABulous/detail/MPHTC>

## **DHSS CORNER**

### **DHSS JOB OPPORTUNITIES/NEWS:**

No DHSS Job Opportunities or staff updates in this week's Friday Facts.

## **MEETINGS, CONFERENCES, AND TRAININGS**

### **2016 ORAL HEALTH POLICY CONFERENCE – March 10–11**

Join oral health advocates from around the state and country for the 2016 Oral Health Policy Conference by the Missouri Coalition for Oral Health, featuring Champion Awards, networking, and cutting edge presentations on oral health policy. Go to [www.oralhealthmissouri.org](http://www.oralhealthmissouri.org) for additional information and to register.

***For other training opportunities, please see Links to Valuable Resources on Page 2 of this Friday Facts publication.***

## **LPHA JOB OPPORTUNITIES**

### **PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE – Andrew County Health Department**

The Andrew County Health Department is accepting applications for a full-time Public Health Nurse position. This position will be responsible for working in the health department clinic, providing health education, program coordination, worksite health promotion, WIC client services, and promoting healthy living activities in the community. Candidates must be a Registered Nurse (RN), a Bachelor of Science in Nursing Degree (BSN) is preferred, and possess a current Missouri nursing license. Resumes may be e-mailed to: [AndrewH@andrewcountyhealth.com](mailto:AndrewH@andrewcountyhealth.com) or mailed to PO Box 271, Savannah, MO 64485, Attn: Andrew Hoffman, Administrator.

**CLERICAL POSITION – Barry County Health Department**

The Barry County Health Department is accepting applications until January 12 for a clerical position. The requirements for this position are a high school diploma or high school equivalent with office experience engaging with the public. Also, computer skills are required and bilingual a plus. Submit applications to the Barry County Health Department, P.O. Box 207, 65 Main Street, Cassville, MO 65625.

**FULL-TIME COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT SPECIALIST – Clay County Public Health Center**

Clay County Public Health Center, nationally accredited by the Public Health Accreditation Board (PHAB), seeks candidates for the position of full-time Community Development Specialist. The Community Development Specialist is a professional who is responsible for collaboration and/or facilitation of assessment of community needs, implementation of evidenced-based strategies to address those identified needs, securing and leveraging community resources, and enabling identified community health improvement initiatives to be successful within their assigned area. A Masters in Public Health (MPH) degree is preferred. A bachelor's degree in health planning, health education, community development, community planning or related field is desired; an equivalent combination of education and/or related experience may be considered in lieu of a bachelor's degree. Excellent communication and computer skills are required. Visit [www.clayhealth.com](http://www.clayhealth.com) to apply. Completed application materials may also be submitted to Clay County Public Health Center (Attn: Human Resources), 800 Haines Drive, Liberty, MO 64068.

**REGISTERED DENTAL HYGIENIST - Clay County Public Health Center**

The Clay County Public Health Center, nationally accredited by the Public Health Accreditation Board, seeks candidates for the position of part-time Registered Dental Hygienist. This position primarily provides non-clinical dental screenings and education in a school setting and screenings/fluoride varnish in a clinic setting. Qualifications include a bachelor's degree in dental hygiene and three years experience. For more information or to apply, visit [www.clayhealth.com](http://www.clayhealth.com). Completed application materials may also be submitted to Clay County Public Health Center (Attn: Human Resources), 800 Haines Drive, Liberty, MO 64068.

**ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT - Clay County Public Health Center**

The Clay County Public Health Center, nationally accredited by the Public Health Accreditation Board, seeks candidates for the position of full-time Administrative Assistant to support a variety of general office activities within a clinic setting, including front desk/registration. Qualifications include an Associate's Degree and/or two years of experience. For more information, or to apply, visit [www.clayhealth.com](http://www.clayhealth.com). Completed application materials may also be submitted to Clay County Public Health Center (Attn: Human Resources), 800 Haines Drive, Liberty, MO 64068.

**PART-TIME WIC BREASTFEEDING PEER COUNSELOR – Cole County Health Department**

The Cole County Health Department is currently accepting applications for Breastfeeding Peer Counselor position within the WIC Program. The selected candidate will give basic breastfeeding information and support to new mothers and help mothers achieve their breastfeeding goals. Contact: Melinda Ridenhour at [mridenhour@colecounty.org](mailto:mridenhour@colecounty.org) or by calling 573-636-2181.

**REGISTERED DIETICIAN – Dunklin County Health Department**

The Dunklin County Health Department has an immediate opening for a full-time Registered Dietician for our health department. The person in this position will be responsible for planning and implementation of the nutritional components of the WIC program as well as providing nutrition and breast feeding counseling and education to eligible families. This person would act as the nutrition/breastfeeding coordinator for the WIC program. WIC experience and training is preferred. This individual would be working in the Kennett and Malden offices. If interested, call or e-mail Lisa Johnson, Administrator, Dunklin County Health Department, at 573-888-9008 or [johnsL20@lpha.mopublic.org](mailto:johnsL20@lpha.mopublic.org).

**REGISTERED DIETICIAN/NUTRITIONIST – Franklin County Department of Health**

The Franklin County Department of Health has an immediate opening for a full-time Registered Dietician or Nutritionist with the WIC Program. The person in this position will be responsible for planning and implementation of the nutritional components of the WIC program, as well as providing nutrition and breast feeding counseling and education to eligible families. WIC experience is desired. If interested, please contact Angie Hittson, Director, at 636-583-7312 or e-mail at [hittsa@lpha.mopublic.org](mailto:hittsa@lpha.mopublic.org).

## **FULL-TIME NUTRITIONIST – St. Charles County Department of Public Health**

This position is a full-time, 40-hour per week position which includes a full range of benefits including paid time off, extended medical leave, holidays, employee health, dental, life, disability, retirement, and tuition assistance programs. For more on this job opportunity, click [here](#).

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